Setting up of Petrochemical Projects in Rajasthan

*251. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set 'up any fertilizerlpetro-chemical and other projects in Rajasthan;

(b) whether the HBJ pipeline, which is passing along the boundary of Rajasthan and a branch line there of coming to Anta in Kota/Swai Ma dhopur has opened up the possibility/ feasibility of such projects; and

(c) if so, what are the Govern ment's plans in this regard during 1992-93 as well as in Eighth Five Year PIan Period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (c) One gas based fertilizer project is coming up at Ga-depan, District Kota in Rajasthan. Having regard to the limited availi-ability of Gas from the HBJ pipeline, no other gas based fertilizerlpetro-chemical proect is envisaged in Rajasthan during the 8th Five Year Plan period.

Public Sector Units Floating Private Equity Participation in the Country

*252. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased *to* state:

(a) what is the number of Public Sector Units which have floated private equity participation in the country;

(b) whether the 8 percent funding for the equity participation has been violated by some public sector under-takings; and

(c) if so, what action Government propse to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (c) It is presumed that the Honourable Member is referring to the disinvestment of shares of public sector undertakings made during 1991-92 to the mutual funds]financiallinvestment institutions. During 1991-92, disinvestment of shares of 80 public sector enterprises has been made comprising only 8 per cent of the Government equity holding of these all enterprises taken together. A statement of these enterprises with extent of disin-vestmennt in each is enclosed *(See* below). By this disinvestment, Gov-ernment could mobilise Rs. 3038 crores. No public sector undertaking has violated any rules in this regard.

STATEMENT

Sl. No.	Name of the PSE	%age of disinvest-ment
1	2	3
1.	Hindustan Petroleum Corpn. Ltd.	20.0
2.	Indian Railway Constn. Co. Ltd.	0.20
3.	Minerals of Metals Trading Corpn.	0.67